

2005 Conference, 9 - 10 May 2005, Malta

Implementing change through 'education and Training 2010'

The European Union intends to initiate major reforms in education systems: the Copenhagen process, the implementation of Education and Training 2010, the new impetus to the reform of higher education... On the other hand, every country has trouble to implement an educational change initiated on the macro-level. A concept and an action plan for change and even a new legislation are not enough to have a real impact in schools and in the classrooms.

If the Union really wants to let things change, it is necessary to work out a workable concept on educational change. The European educational policy should get a second part, in which it sets out the conditions for successful educational change.

On its conference in Malta 9-10 May 2005, EUNEC wants to think and discuss on this issue. Tom Leney, QCA London and author of the Maastricht Study, wrote an opening paper on the theme. After a discussion with experts and an analysis of examples of good practice, we will try to formulate common statements on the implementation of educational change. We will also take the opportunity to get acquainted with the Maltese education system and the National Curriculum Council.

On Tuesday 10 May, EUNEC will hold a meeting of the General Assembly. In annex, you will find the opening paper of the conference.

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Monday 9 May 2005

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| 09:30 | Themes and issue of the conference |
| 09:45 | Presentation of the Maltese education system and the National Curriculum Council Raymond Camilleri, director National Curriculum Council, Malta |
| 10:30 | Implementing change in education and training 2010 - Opening paper Tom Leney, QCA London |
| 12:00 | Lunch |

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| 13:30 | 'Education and training 2010'. Strategy, policy, implementation Sebastian Volckers, European Commission |
| 14:45 | A case study: The implementation of ICT in Malta Mary Darmanin, University of Malta |
| 15:45 | A case study: The Estonian education reforms since the "perestroika" period and the future scenarios Viive-Riina Ruus, Estonian Education Forum |
| 16:30 | Other examples of implementation (The Netherlands,...) |
| 17:00 | Visit to Valletta |
| 20:00 | Dinner |

Tuesday 10 May 2005

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| 09:30 | To change or not to change' - reflections on National Curriculum reform in Malta |
| | Carmel Borg – Dean of the faculty of Education – University Malta |
| 10:30 | Discussion on the EUNEC statements on implementation |
| 11:30 | Closing of the conference |
| | Louis Galea - Minister of Education, Youth and Employment – Malta |
| 12:00 | Lunch |

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| 14:00 | General Assembly of EUNEC |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Adoption of the statements of the conference■ Annual rapport 2004■ EUNEC publication: A transparency of qualifications■ Action plan 2005 |
| 20:00 | Closing dinner |